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REMARKS

In the foregoing amendments, claims 1-20 are canceled without prejudice, disclaimer, or waiver. Claims 21-39 are added. Claims 21-39 are now pending in the present application.

I. Response to 35 U.S.C. §102 Rejection

Claims 1-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by *Taraki et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,898,307). Since claims 1-20 were cancelled by amendment herein, this rejection is rendered moot.

II. New Claims

Claims 21-39 have been newly added to further define and/or clarify the scope of the invention.

A. Claim 21

Independent claim 21 is directed to a method that comprises displaying first and second waveforms. The method further comprises displaying a plurality of icons, each icon corresponding to a measurement to be performed of a parameter defining a relationship between the first waveform and the second waveform. Taraki et al. fails to teach this highlighted feature. Instead, the elements described to be "icons" by Taraki et al. are actually boxes in which text or other indicia may be displayed (col. 3, lines 43-44). The icons do not correspond to measurements to be performed, as claimed. Also, the icons of Taraki et al. do not correspond to measurements of parameters defining a relationship between the first waveform and the second waveform, as claimed. In contrast to the claims of the present application, Taraki et al. does not appear to measure a relationship between two waveforms.

Furthermore, claim 21 also includes performing a measurement based on the selected icon, the first point on the first waveform, and the second point on the second waveform. Taraki et al. fails to teach performing a measurement based on these selections.

For at least these reasons, Applicants believe that claim 21 is allowable over-Taraki et al. Also, it is believed that claims 22-27 are allowable for at least the reason

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that they depend from independent claim 21, which includes the allowable features as mentioned above.

B. <u>Claim 28</u>

Independent claim 28 is directed to a measuring and testing instrument (MTI) comprising a display device, means for receiving user input, and means for measuring. The display device is configured to display a first waveform, a second waveform, and a plurality of icons, each icon corresponding to a measurement to be performed of a parameter defining a relationship between the first waveform and the second waveform. Although Taraki et al. includes a display that displays "icons", the icons of Taraki et al. are not icons that correspond to measurements to be performed of a parameter defining a relationship between the two waveforms, as claimed.

Furthermore, claim 28 includes means for receiving user input corresponding to a selected icon and means for measuring a parameter based on the selected icon. *Taraki et al.* does not allow the selection of icons, receiving input corresponding to a selected icon, or measuring a parameter based on a selected icon.

Therefore, claim 28, and depend claims 29-35, are believed to be allowable over *Taraki et al.*

C. Claim 36

Independent claim 36 is directed to a graphical user interface (GUI) comprising a waveform display region and a toolbar region. The toolbar region displays a plurality of icons, each icon corresponding to a measurement to be performed of a parameter defining a relationship between the first waveform and the second waveform. Taraki et al. fails to disclose such a feature. Instead, Taraki et al. appears to teach two separate waveforms and a comparison between points on the same waveform. In contrast to claim 36, Taraki et al. does not teach performing a measurement of a parameter defining a relationship between two different waveforms.

III. Prior Art Made of Record

The prior art made of record has been considered, but is not believed to affect the patentability of the presently pending claims.

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CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and for at least the reasons set forth above, Applicant respectfully submits that all rejections have been traversed, rendered moot, and/or accommodated, and that the now pending claims 21-39 are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (770) 933-9500.

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